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I CAN HEAR  
YOU, SLUGGER,  
BUT I CAN'T  
SEE YOU!

**HALP!**  
**I'M STUCK,**  
SCARECROW, AND  
I'M BEING ATTACKED  
BY A GIANT  
**DINOSAUR!**

**2** FEATURE-  
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**LITTLE WISE GUYS**  
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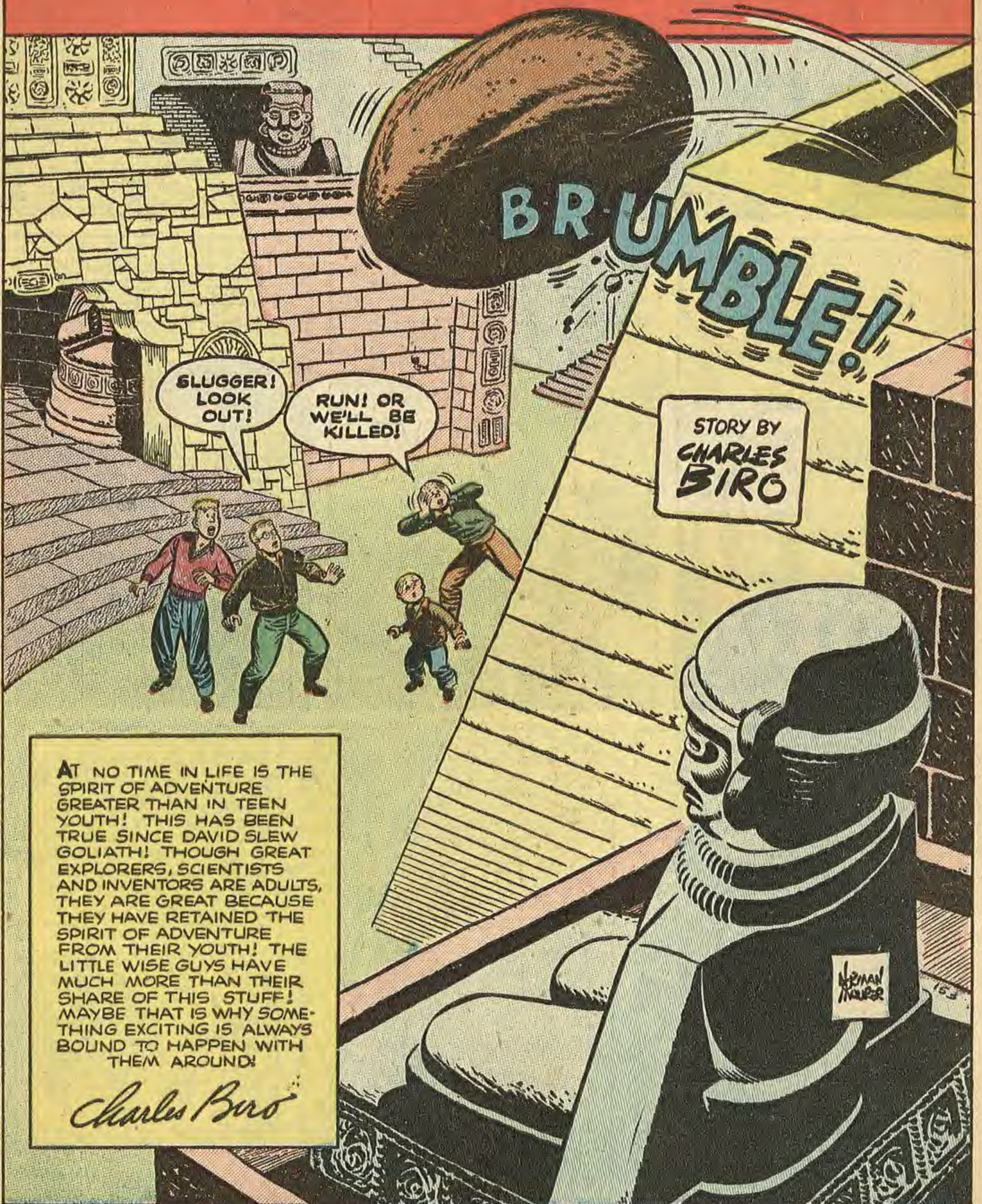
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# *the* LITTLE WISE GUYS

IN "THE EXPLORERS"



SLUGGER!  
LOOK  
OUT!

RUN! OR  
WE'LL BE  
KILLED!

STORY BY  
CHARLES  
BIRG

AT NO TIME IN LIFE IS THE SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE GREATER THAN IN TEEN YOUTH! THIS HAS BEEN TRUE SINCE DAVID SLEW GOLIATH! THOUGH GREAT EXPLORERS, SCIENTISTS AND INVENTORS ARE ADULTS, THEY ARE GREAT BECAUSE THEY HAVE RETAINED THE SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE FROM THEIR YOUTH! THE LITTLE WISE GUYS HAVE MUCH MORE THAN THEIR SHARE OF THIS STUFF! MAYBE THAT IS WHY SOMETHING EXCITING IS ALWAYS BOUND TO HAPPEN WITH THEM AROUND!

*Charles Birg*

HERMAN  
KRAUER

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BOYS, I WANT YOU TO MEET JUAN HERNANDEZ, A SOUTH AMERICAN NEIGHBOR OF OURS! WHILE HIS STEPFATHER IS IN NEW YORK REPRESENTING 'LUANA AT THE UNITED NATIONS, HE IS GOING TO ATTEND OUR SCHOOL, SO HE CAN LEARN HOW WE DO THINGS IN THE UNITED STATES!

JUAN CAN SPEAK A LITTLE ENGLISH BUT HE HAS A LOT TO LEARN BEFORE HE CAN GET AROUND WITH EASE, SO I'D LIKE TO CALL ON A VOLUNTEER TO BE A FOSTER BROTHER TO HIM UNTIL HE CAN MANAGE ALONE!

WHAT?! NO VOLUNTEERS?

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU GUYS? DO YOU CALL THAT BEING GOOD NEIGHBORS? I'LL VOLUNTEER, MISS ADAMS!

GOOD FOR YOU, SLUGGER! NOW AS FOSTER BROTHER, YOU'LL HELP TEACH JUAN ENGLISH...HELP HIM FIND HIS WAY AROUND THE SCHOOL AND THE COMMUNITY AND HELP HIM WITH HIS HOMEWORK!

HIS HOMEWORK! HOLY COW! I CAN'T EVEN MANAGE MY OWN!

JUAN, THIS IS SLUGGER...HE WILL BE YOUR AMERICAN BROTHER! SU HERMANO AMERICANO, COMPRENDE?

SI, SI, HERMANO... SLUGGAH!

NOW THAT I'VE GOT HIM, WHAT DO I DO? HOW CAN I TEACH HIM WHEN I CAN'T SPEAK HIS LINGO?

YOU CAN SHOW HIM THINGS AND TELL HIM THE ENGLISH WORDS!

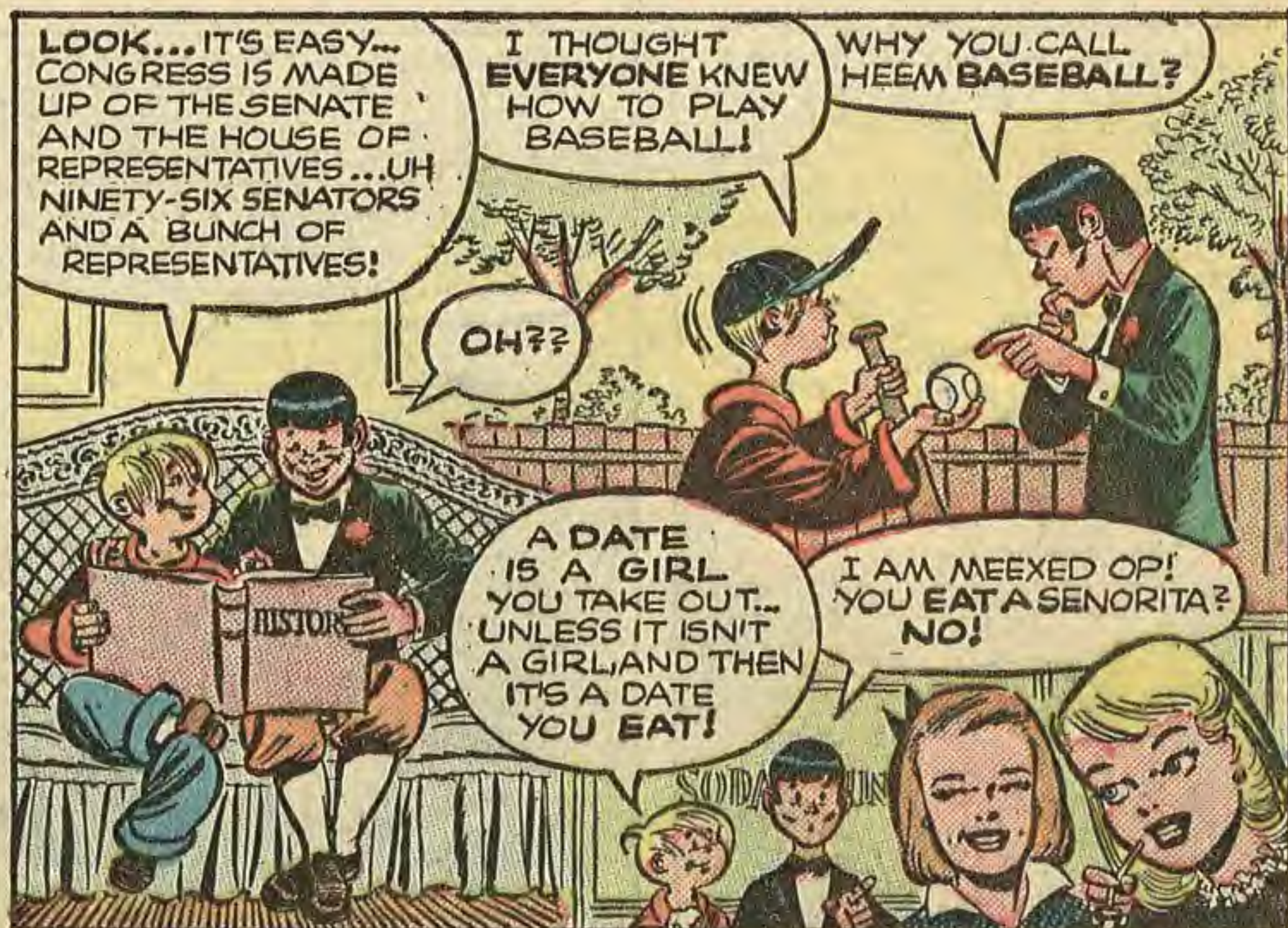
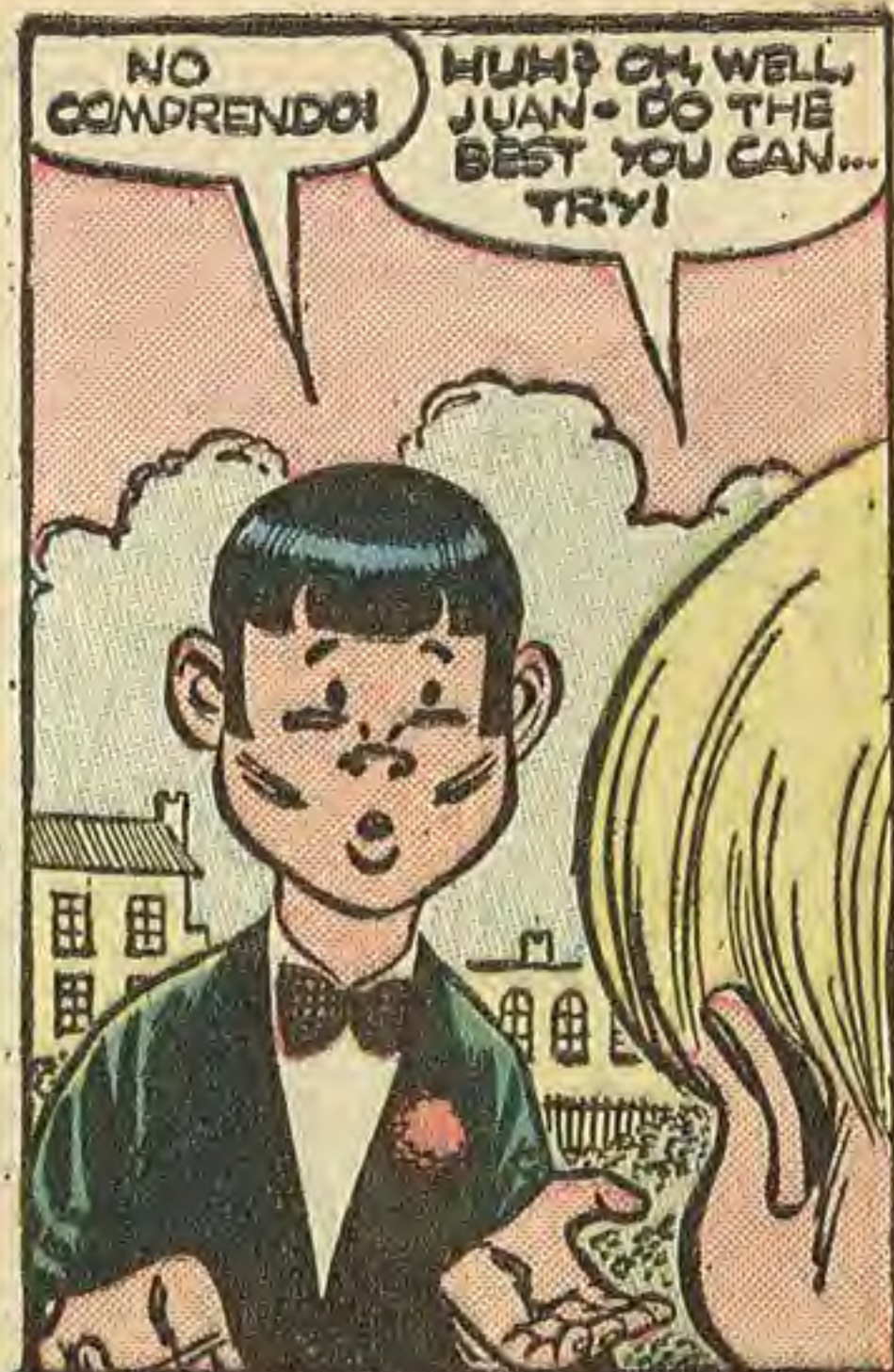
OKAY...LET'S START BY TEACHING HIM BASKETBALL! YOU... JUAN...THIS IS BASKETBALL... SEE? BASKETBALL! WE PLAY A GAME WITH IT! YOU, SCARECROW, JOCK, CURLY, AND MYSELF WILL BE A TEAM!

TEAM? BASKET-BALL?

ATTABOY, JUAN! YOU LEARN FAST! CURLY, YOU LINE UP SOME GUYS TO PLAY AGAINST US WHILE I EXPLAIN HOW TO PLAY! UGH! THIS IS SOME EXCUSE FOR A BASKETBALL! I WISH WE HAD SOME DECENT EQUIPMENT! ALL THIS PLAYGROUND STUFF STINKS!

STEENKS? NO COM-PRENDO!





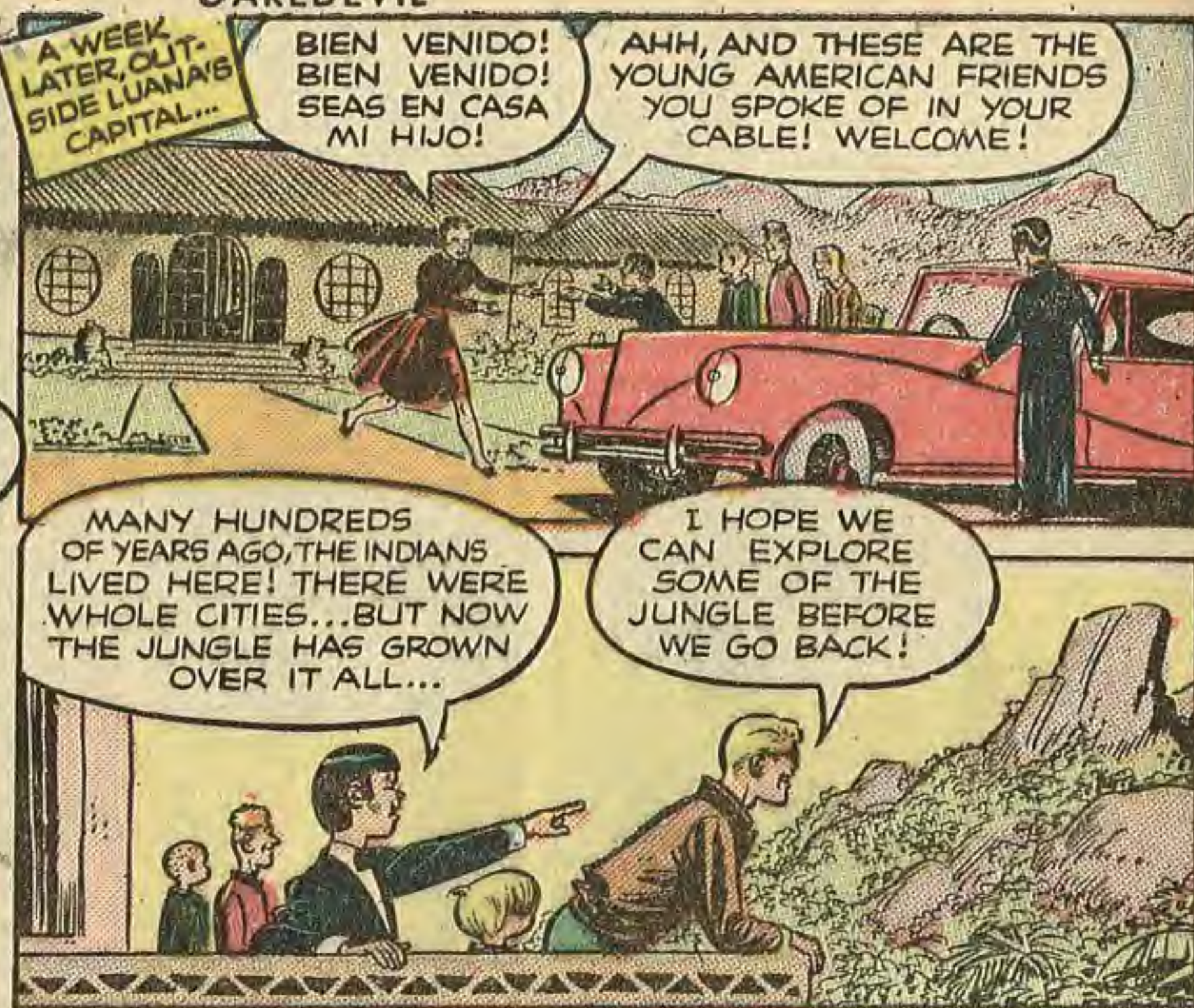




















THEN THEY'RE SUCCEEDING! I'M SCARED STIFF!

KEEP CALM! I HAVE A PLAN TO FIND OUT WHO'S BEHIND THIS! RUN AS IF YOU ARE SCARED, BUT DON'T GO FAR...JUST HIDE OUT OF SIGHT AND WAIT FOR DEVELOPMENTS!



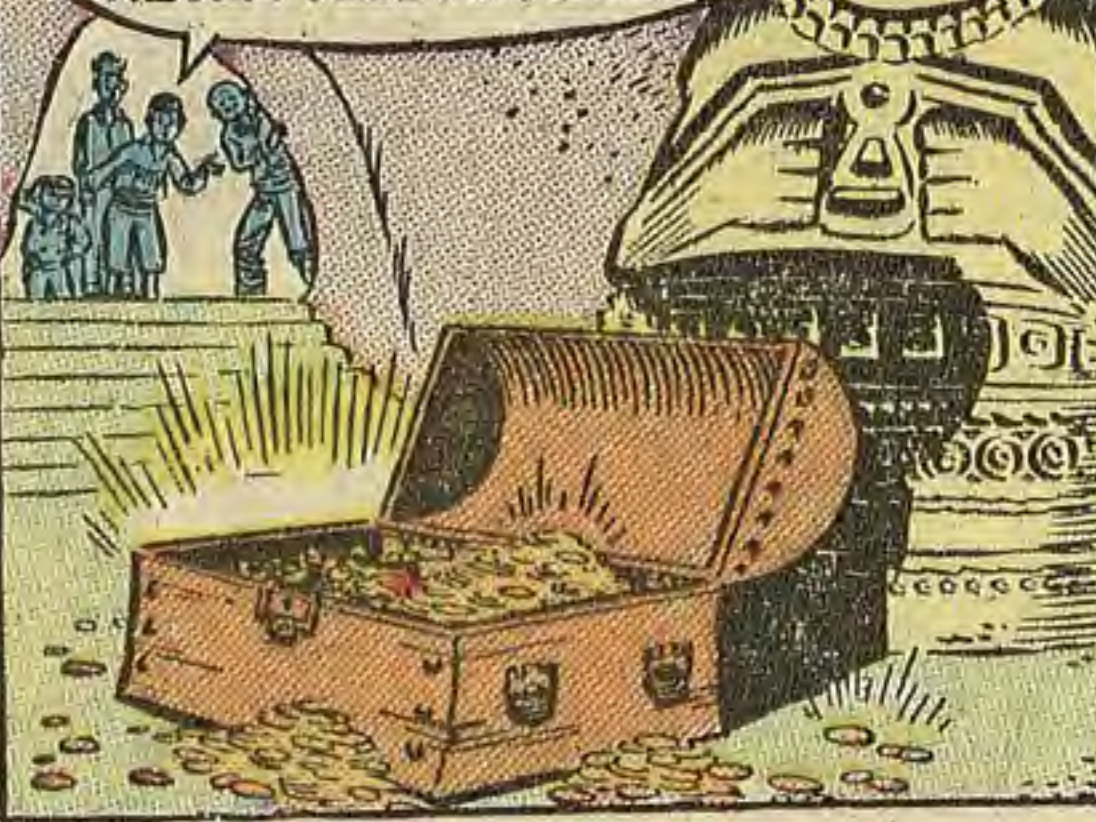
SOME WAY TO SCARE US... TOPPLING THAT ROCK ON US...IF WE HADN'T DUCKED WE'D HAVE ALL BEEN KILLED!

BUT I DID NOT DO THAT...I SWEAR ALL I DID WAS MAKE THE NOISES...THE ROCK...THAT MUST HAVE BEEN AN ACCIDENT! MAYBE VIBRATIONS FROM YOUR VOICES JARRED IT LOOSE? BUT COME—SINCE YOU ARE HERE,

LET ME SHARE MY SECRET!



MY FATHER FIRST FOUND THE RUINS! IT WAS HE WHO BROUGHT ME HERE WHEN I WAS EIGHT AND MADE ME PROMISE NOT TO TELL ANY-ONE ABOUT IT UNTIL I BECAME OF AGE! NOW THAT YOU SHARE MY SECRET, I MUST ASK YOU TO SWEAR BEFORE THE GOD OF THE ANCIENTS THAT YOU WILL NEVER TELL ANYONE!



REPEAT AFTER ME: "I SWEAR BEFORE THE SUN GOD WORSHIPPED BY THE TRIBES OF OLD NEVER TO REVEAL..."

I SWEAR BEFORE THE SUN GOD...



MAY WE GO BACK TOMORROW, JUAN? I'D LIKE A CHANCE TO MAKE SOME TRACINGS OF THE CARVINGS IN THE CAVES!

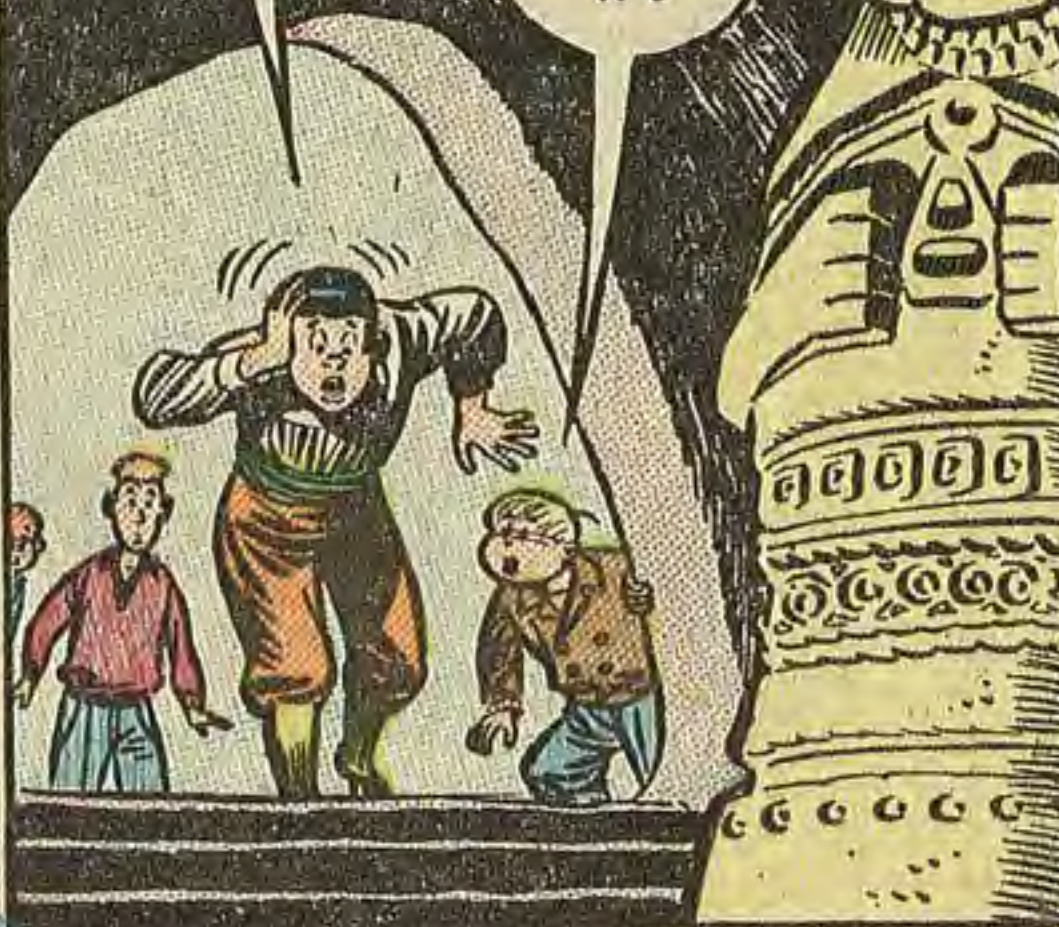
BUT OF COURSE! WE WILL TAKE LUNCH AND STAY THE WHOLE DAY IF YOU WISH!



AND SO THE NEXT DAY...

IT'S GONE! THE CHEST AND ALL THE COINS... GONE!

BUT HOW... COULD IT?



WHO BUT THEY COULD HAVE SNEAKED BACK HERE LAST NIGHT AND REMOVED THE CHEST!

JUAN DIDN'T TRUST US! HE MOVED THE TREASURE AND NOW HE'S PRETENDING!





HE DIDN'T TRUST US! NOT EVEN WHEN WE MADE THAT VOW OF SECRECY! **HECK!** SUN GOD OR NO SUN GOD HE SHOULD'VE **KNOWN** WE WOULDN'T TOUCH WHAT WAS HIS!

I VOTE THAT WE GO BACK AND PACK AND GET OUT OF HERE! IF **THAT'S** ALL HE THINKS OF US, I DON'T WANT TO STICK AROUND ANY LONGER!

JUAN, WE DECIDED WE'VE VISITED HERE IN LUANA LONG ENOUGH! I THINK INSTEAD OF PICNICKING AND EXPLORING MORE, WE'D RATHER GO HOME AND PACK!

BUT... BUT...

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HOW CAN THEY BE SO BRAZEN ABOUT IT? WHY THEY ACT AS IF I'D DONE SOMETHING TO THEM INSTEAD OF THE OTHER WAY AROUND! OH, IT IS TERRIBLE! EVEN BELIEVING WHAT I DO, I DO NOT WANT THEM TO LEAVE!

I CANNOT BELIEVE THEY WOULD DO SUCH A THING! THEY ARE TOO GOOD! IT IS NOT LIKE THEM! I WILL GO TO MY MOTHER AND TELL HER THE STORY! SHE IS WISER THAN I AM, SO PERHAPS SHE WILL THINK OF SOME OTHER EXPLANATION!

...AND EVEN THOUGH THE CHEST AND ALL IN IT HAS **DISAPPEARED**, STILL I CANNOT BEAR TO HAVE THEM LEAVE WITH BAD FEELINGS BETWEEN US! DO YOU THINK I COULD BE **WRONG**? COULD SOMEONE **ELSE** BE THE THIEF?

THIS IS **SERIOUS**, JUAN! LET ME GO CONSULT RAMON! PERHAPS HE MAY BE ABLE TO SOLVE THIS MYSTERY!

**RAMON!** I MUST SEE YOU AT ONCE! IT IS **MOST IMPORTANT!**

I CANNOT SEE YOU NOW! **KEEP OUT!**

**KNOCK KNOCK**

**RAMON!** WHAT IS THIS? WHY, IT WAS YOU WHO TOOK THE TREASURE!

**YOU MEDDLING FOOL!**

YOU WILL FORGET THAT YOU EVER SAW THIS, OR I WILL WRING YOUR NECK! NO ONE SHALL STAND BETWEEN ME AND ALL THIS WEALTH! IT IS MINE!

**AIEEE! HELP!**

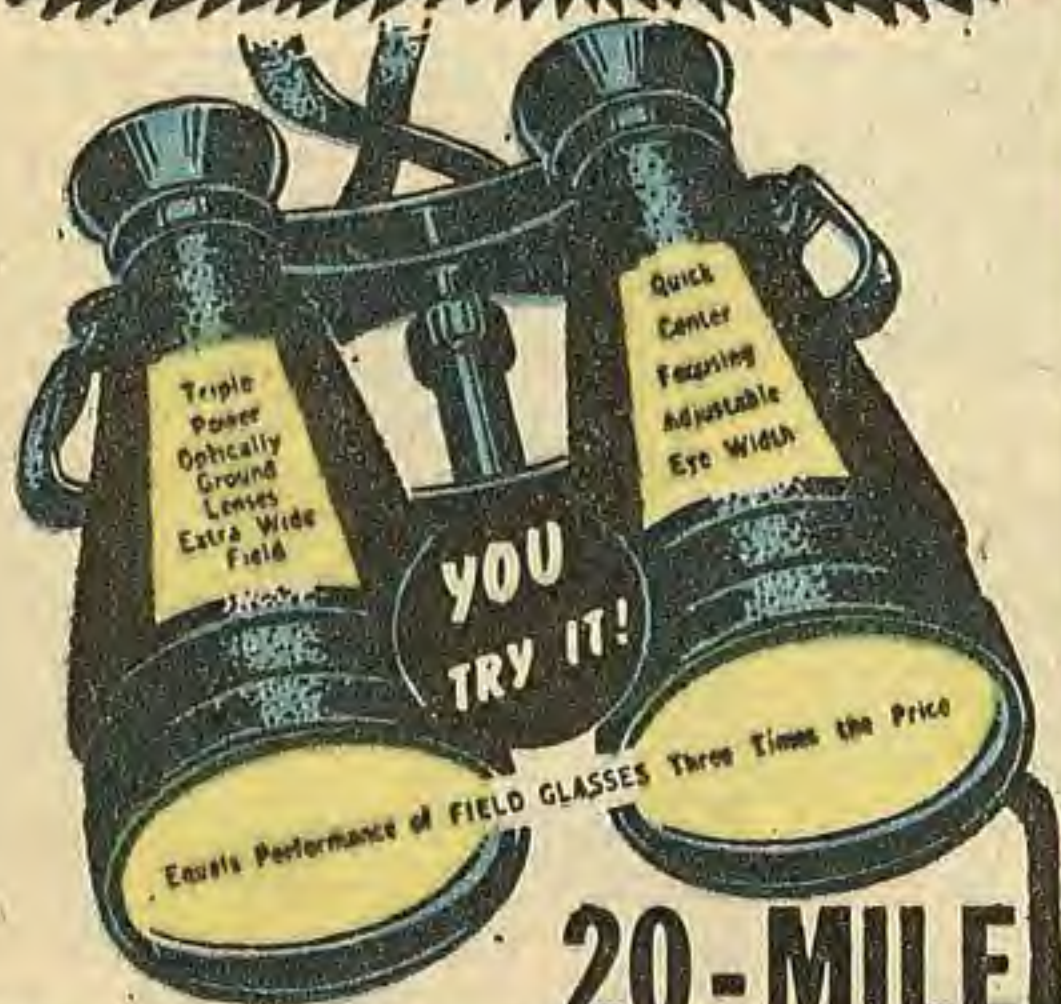
**STOP! STOP!** LET HER GO! TAKE YOUR HANDS OFF...







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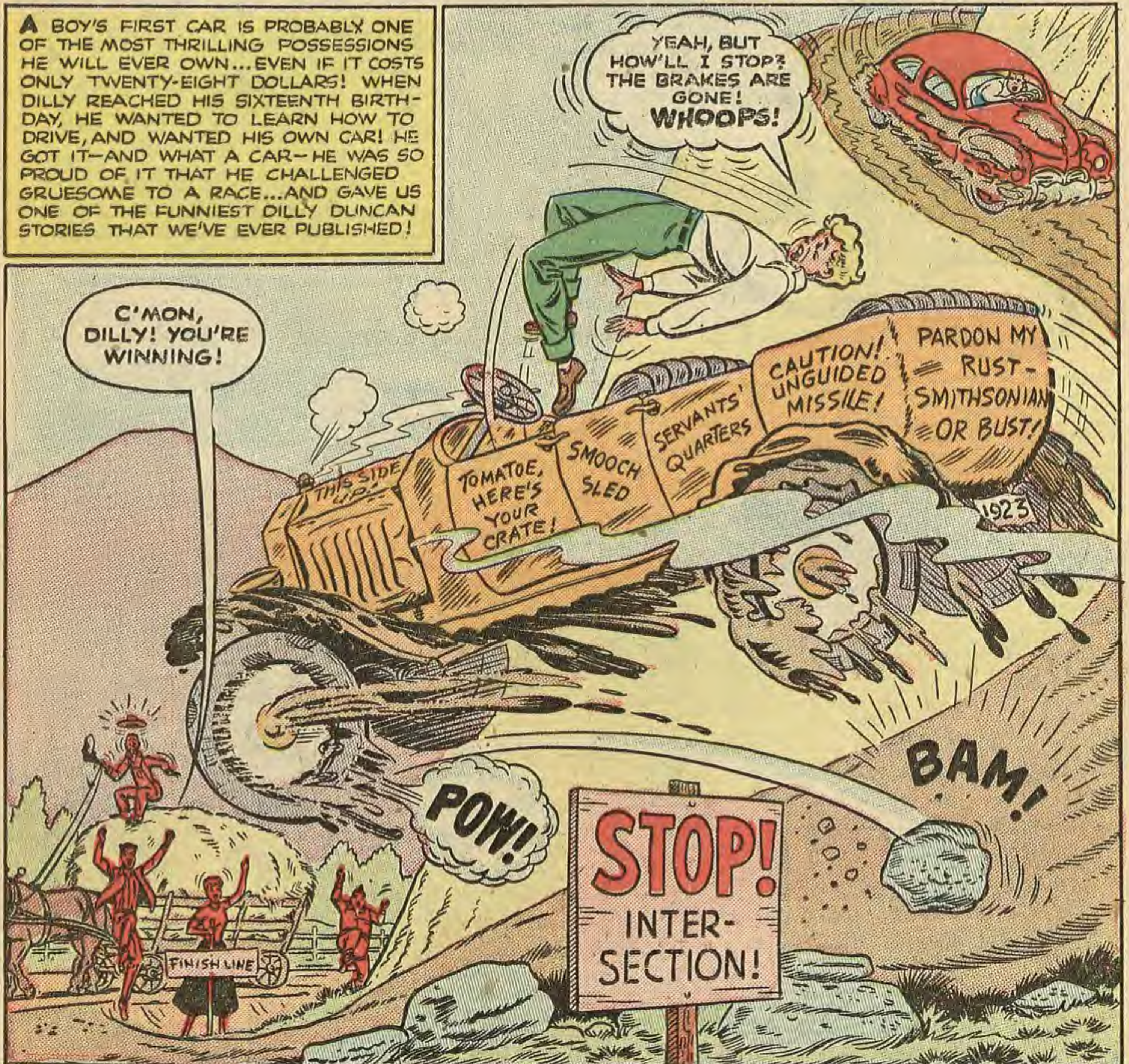
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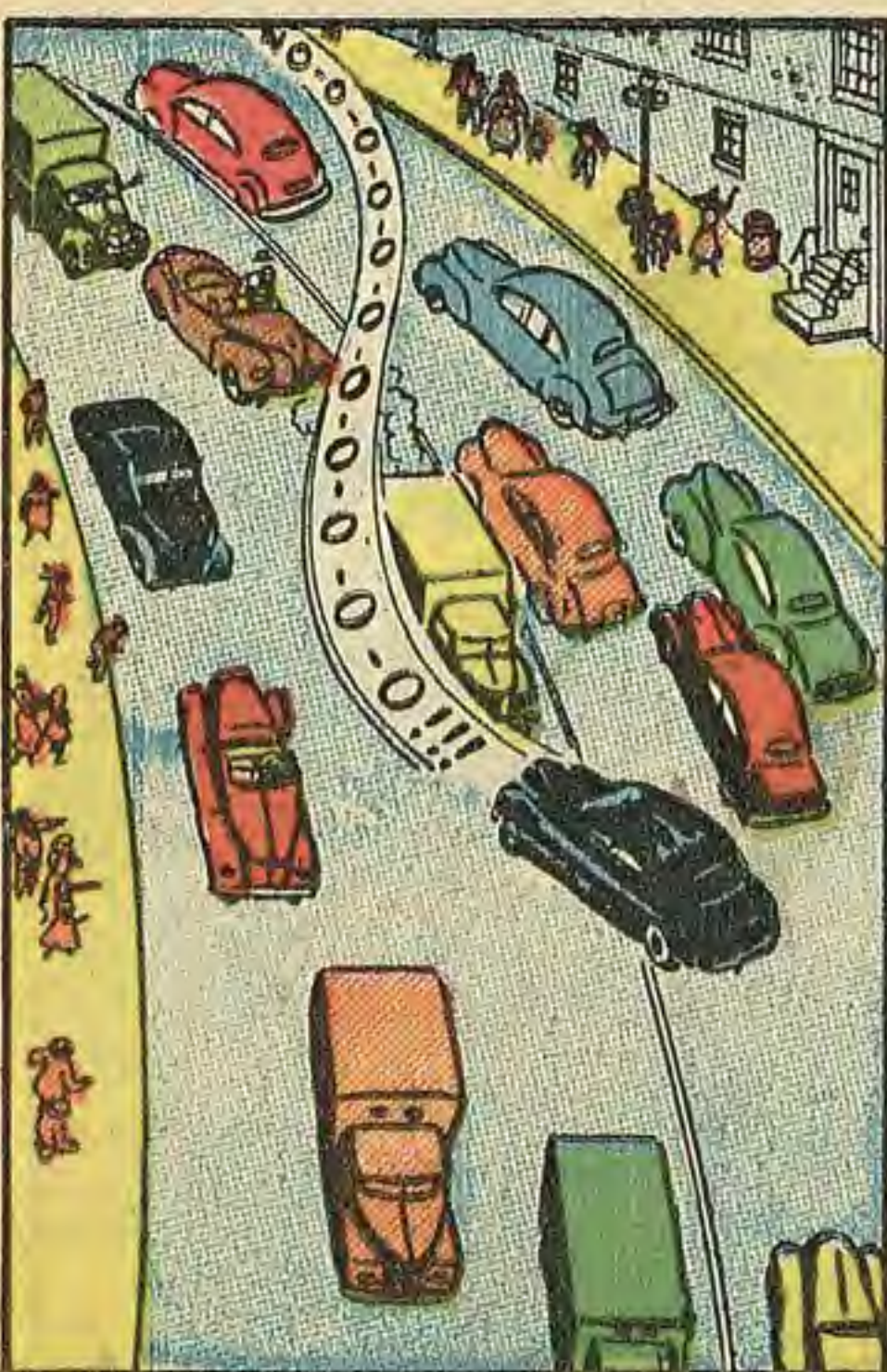
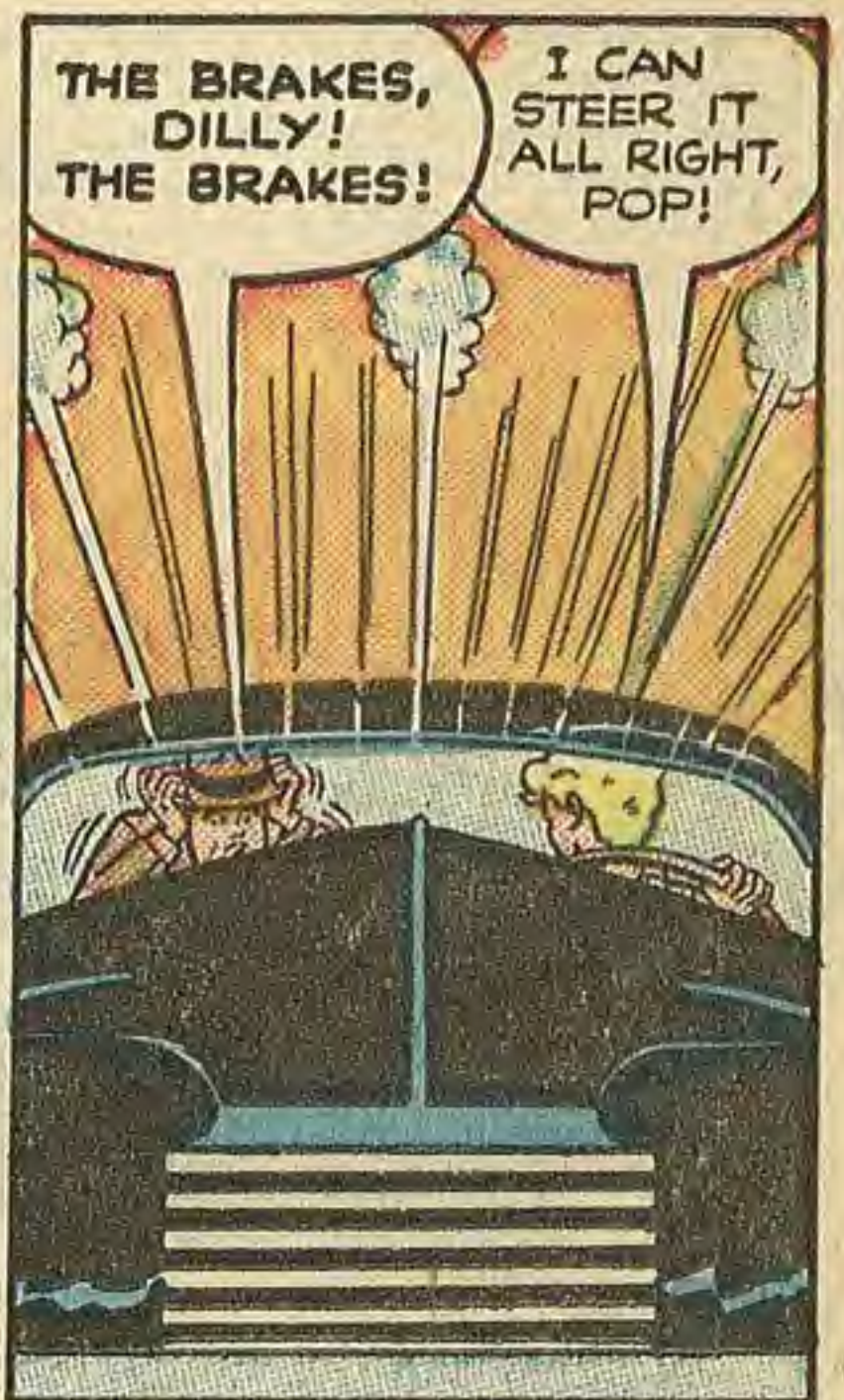
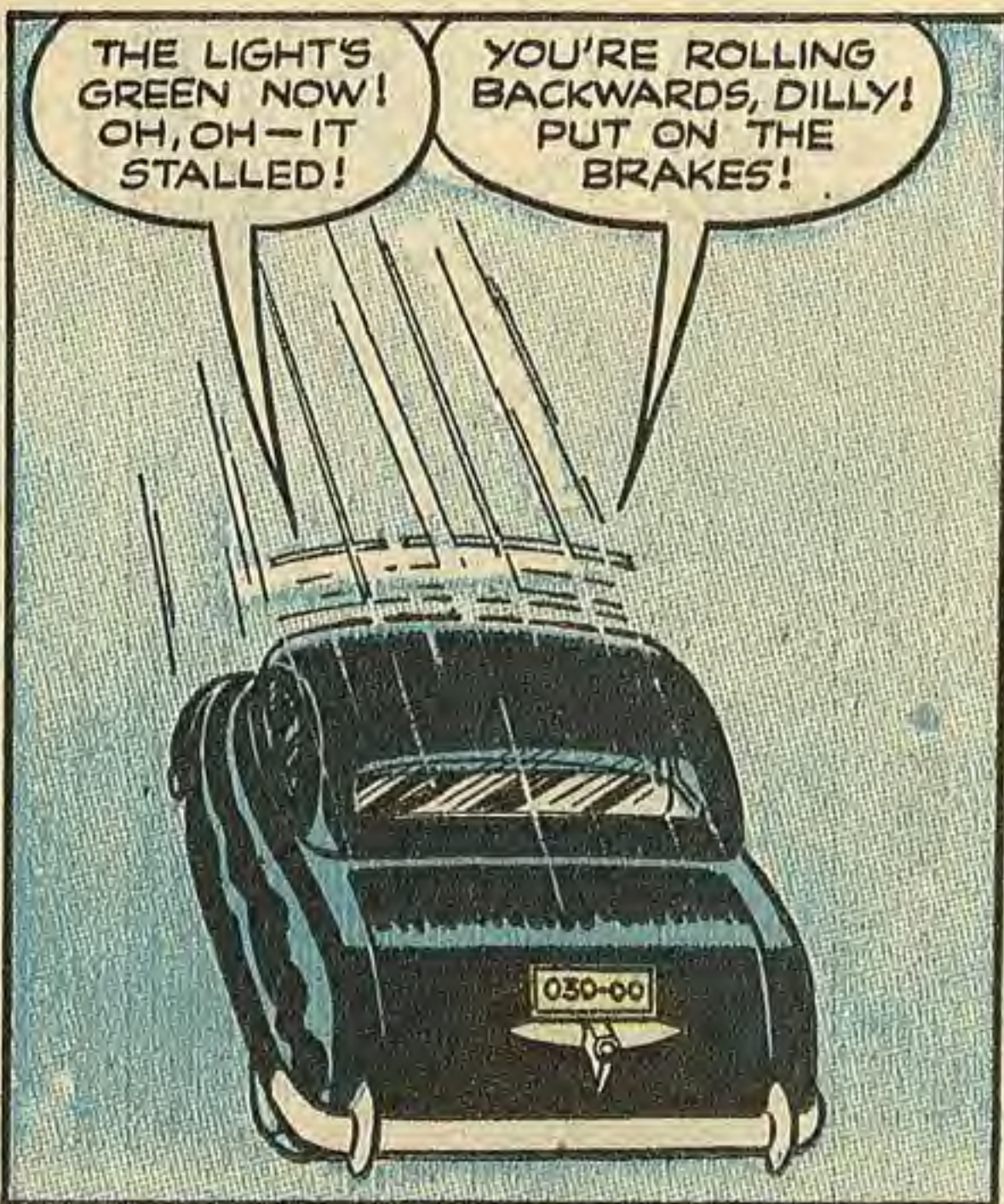
# DILLY DUNCAN

in "LOOK, NO BRAKES"

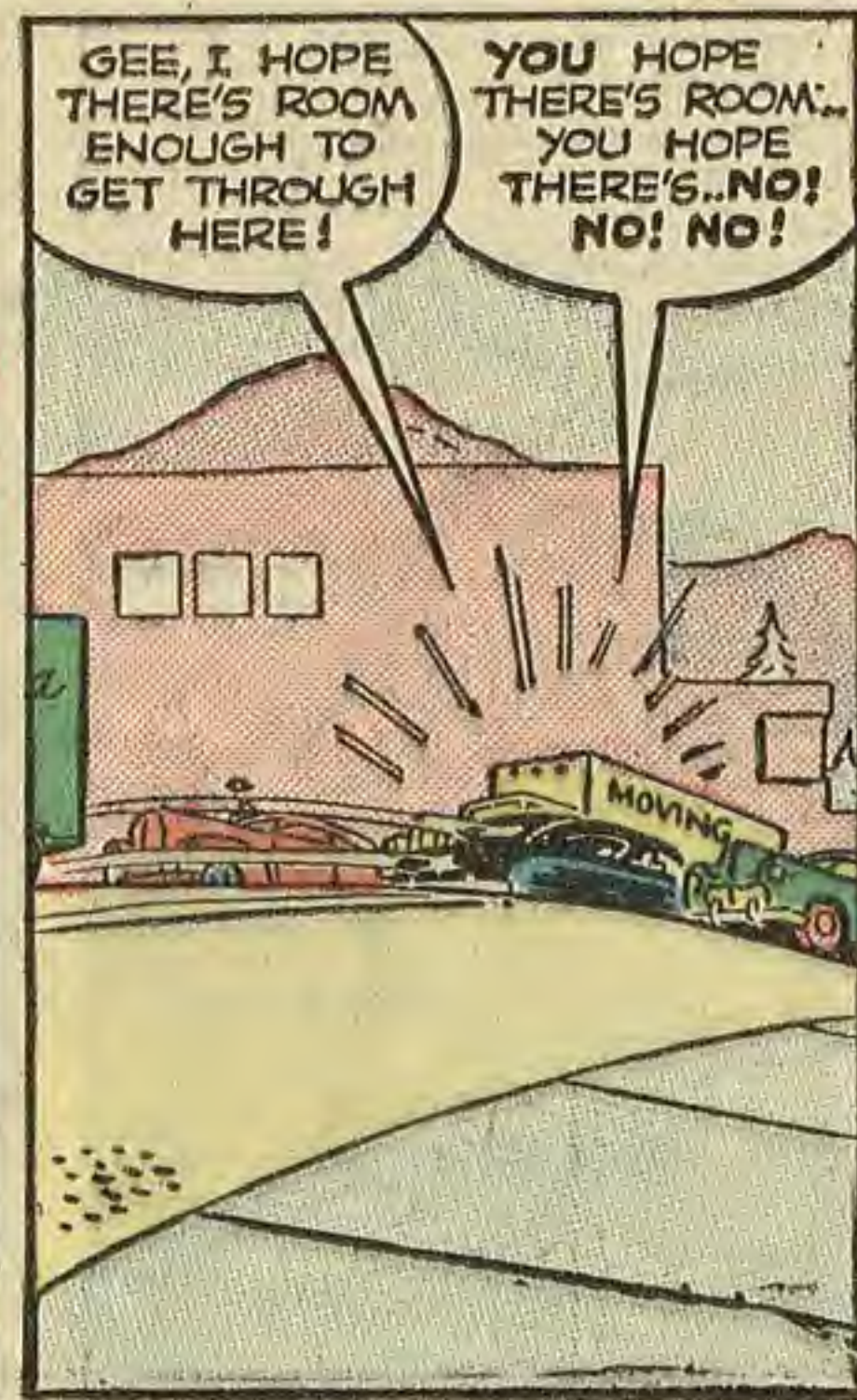
A BOY'S FIRST CAR IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST THRILLING POSSESSIONS HE WILL EVER OWN...EVEN IF IT COSTS ONLY TWENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS! WHEN DILLY REACHED HIS SIXTEENTH BIRTHDAY, HE WANTED TO LEARN HOW TO DRIVE, AND WANTED HIS OWN CAR! HE GOT IT—AND WHAT A CAR—HE WAS SO PROUD OF IT THAT HE CHALLENGED GRUESOME TO A RACE...AND GAVE US ONE OF THE FUNNIEST DILLY DUNCAN STORIES THAT WE'VE EVER PUBLISHED!













# DAREDEVIL

THAT EVENING, AFTER SUPPER...



HOW DID I DO?

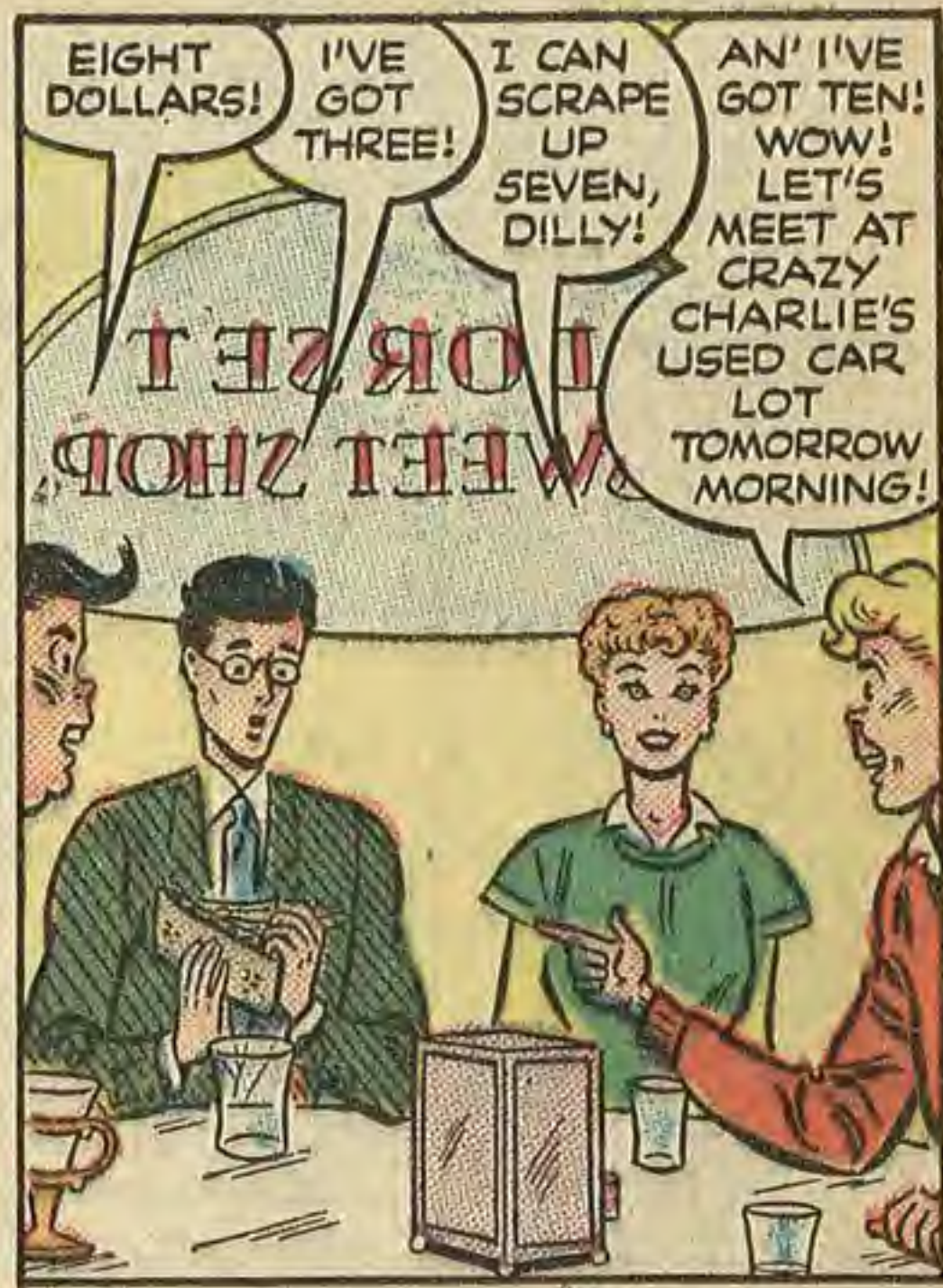
ANYBODY THAT CAN DO THAT DESERVES A LICENSE! YOU PASSED, SON! YOU PASSED!



WELL, NOW THAT YOU'VE GOT A LICENSE, YOU CAN BUY A CAR!

WITH WHAT?

DON'T WORRY, I'LL...HEY! WE COULD CHIP IN! HOW MUCH'VE YOU ALL GOT?



EIGHT DOLLARS!

I'VE GOT THREE!

I CAN SCRAPE UP SEVEN, DILLY!

AN' I'VE GOT TEN! WOW! LET'S MEET AT CRAZY CHARLIE'S USED CAR LOT TOMORROW MORNING!



SEE CRAZY CHARLIE FOR YOUR BEST CAR BUY... ALL MAKES, MODELS AND PRICES!

YES, FOLKS?

WE'D LIKE TO BUY A CAR!

RIGHT THIS WAY!

BE CRAZY LIKE CHARLIE AND BUY YOUR USED CAR HERE!



HOW ABOUT THIS MODEL... ONLY SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS!

WE DON'T HAVE QUITE THAT MUCH!



\$600?.. \$500?.. \$300?.. \$200? HOW MUCH HAVE YOU GOT?

UH... T.. TWENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS!



THAT'S JUST FINE... JUST DANDY! COME WITH ME... I'VE GOT JUST THE CAR FOR YOU FOR TWENTY-SIX DOLLARS!

OH, BOY!



ARE YOU SURE YOU'VE REALLY GOT ONE FOR TWENTY-SIX DOLLARS?

OH, YES, I'VE GOT ONE, ALL RIGHT!

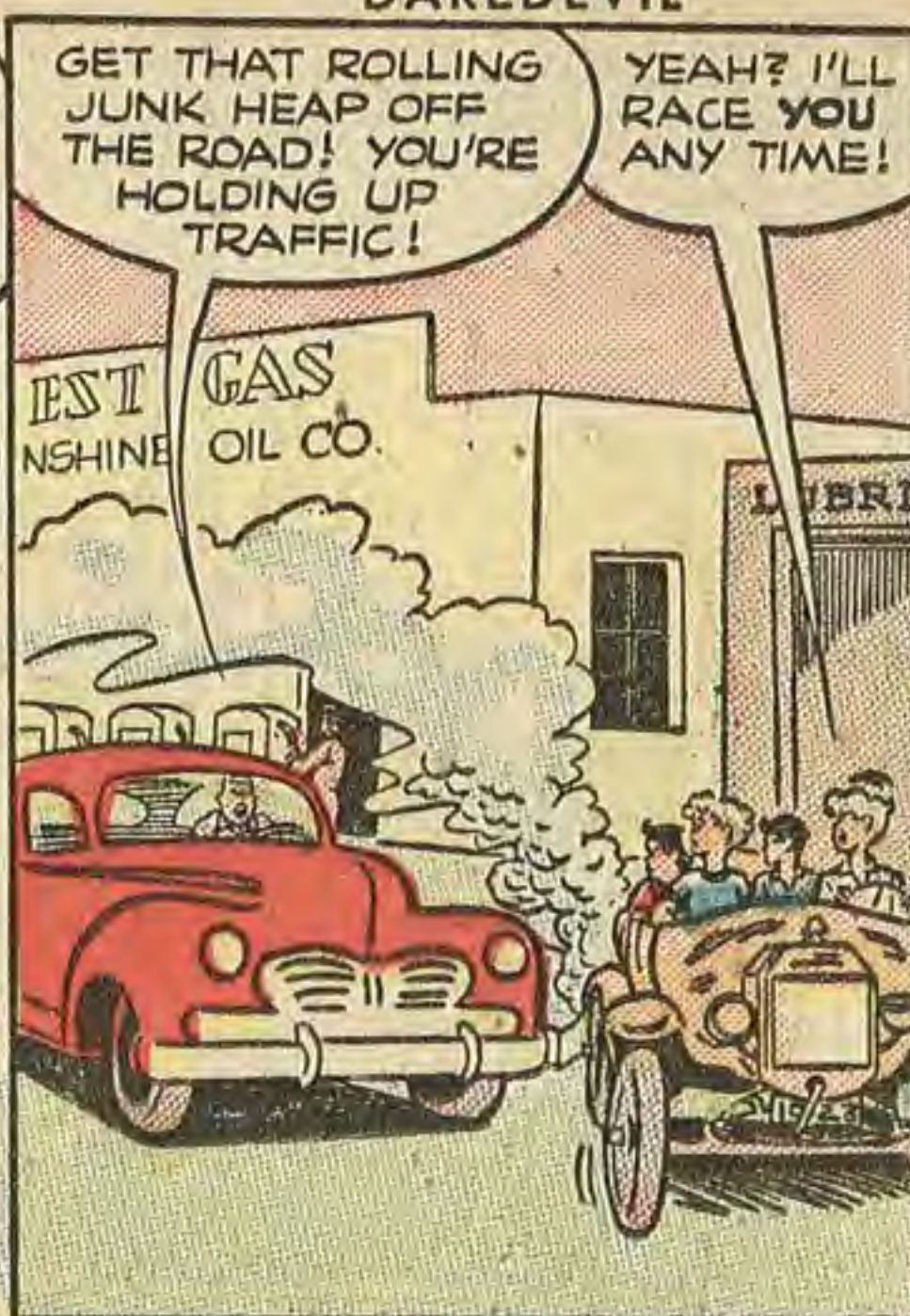


THERE!

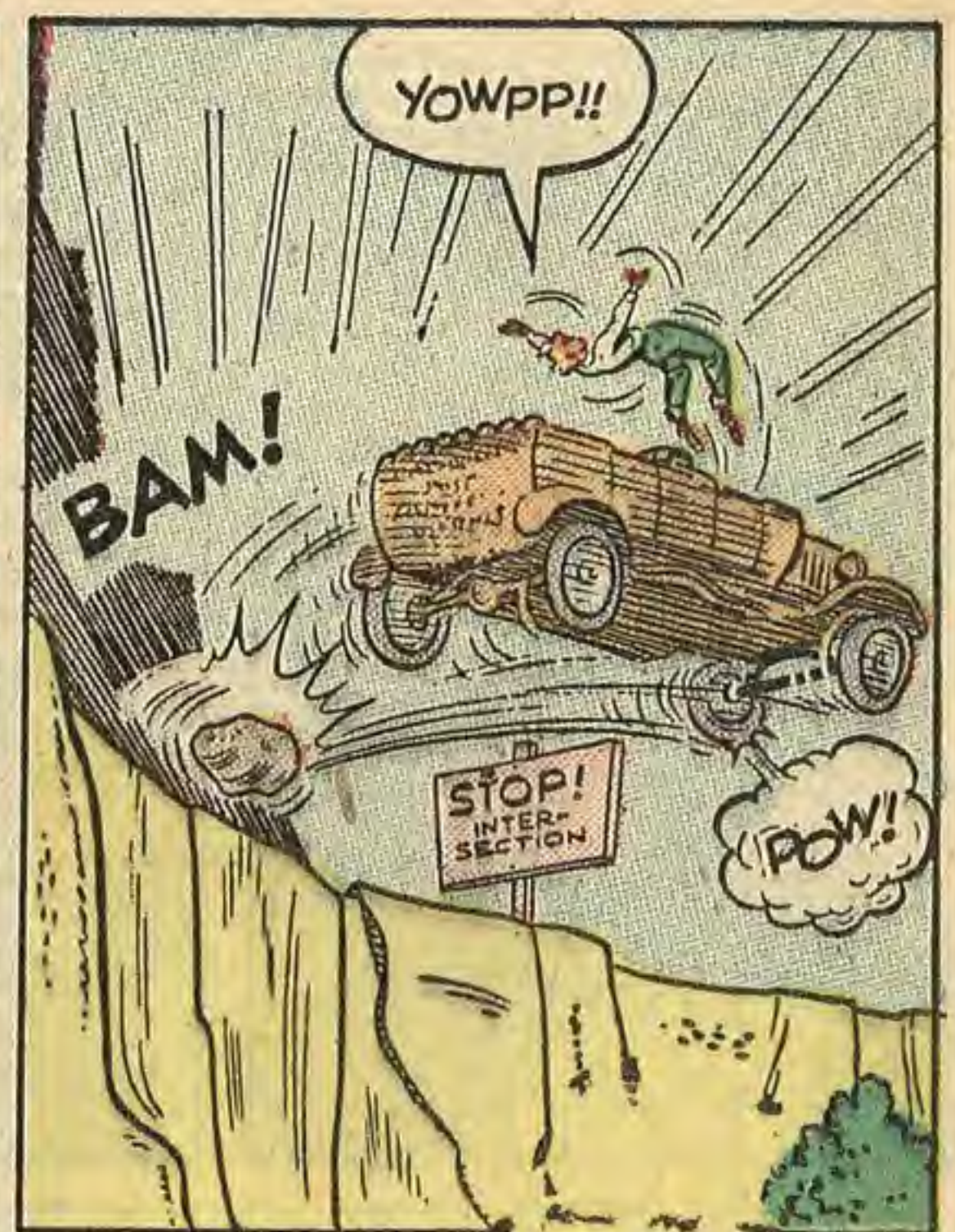












THE CAR MAY NOT BE RIGHT OFF THE ASSEMBLY LINE, BUT YOU CAN BE SURE THAT DILLY AND THE GANG LIKE IT JUST AS MUCH AS ANYBODY LIKES HIS NEW CADILLAC! NEXT MONTH HE LETS HIS PRIDE RUN AWAY WITH HIM AND ENTERS AN AMATEUR STOCK CAR RACE! WHAT HAPPENS THEN IS... WELL, YOU'D BETTER COME ALONG AND SEE FOR YOURSELF, IN THE JULY ISSUE OF DAREDEVIL COMICS!



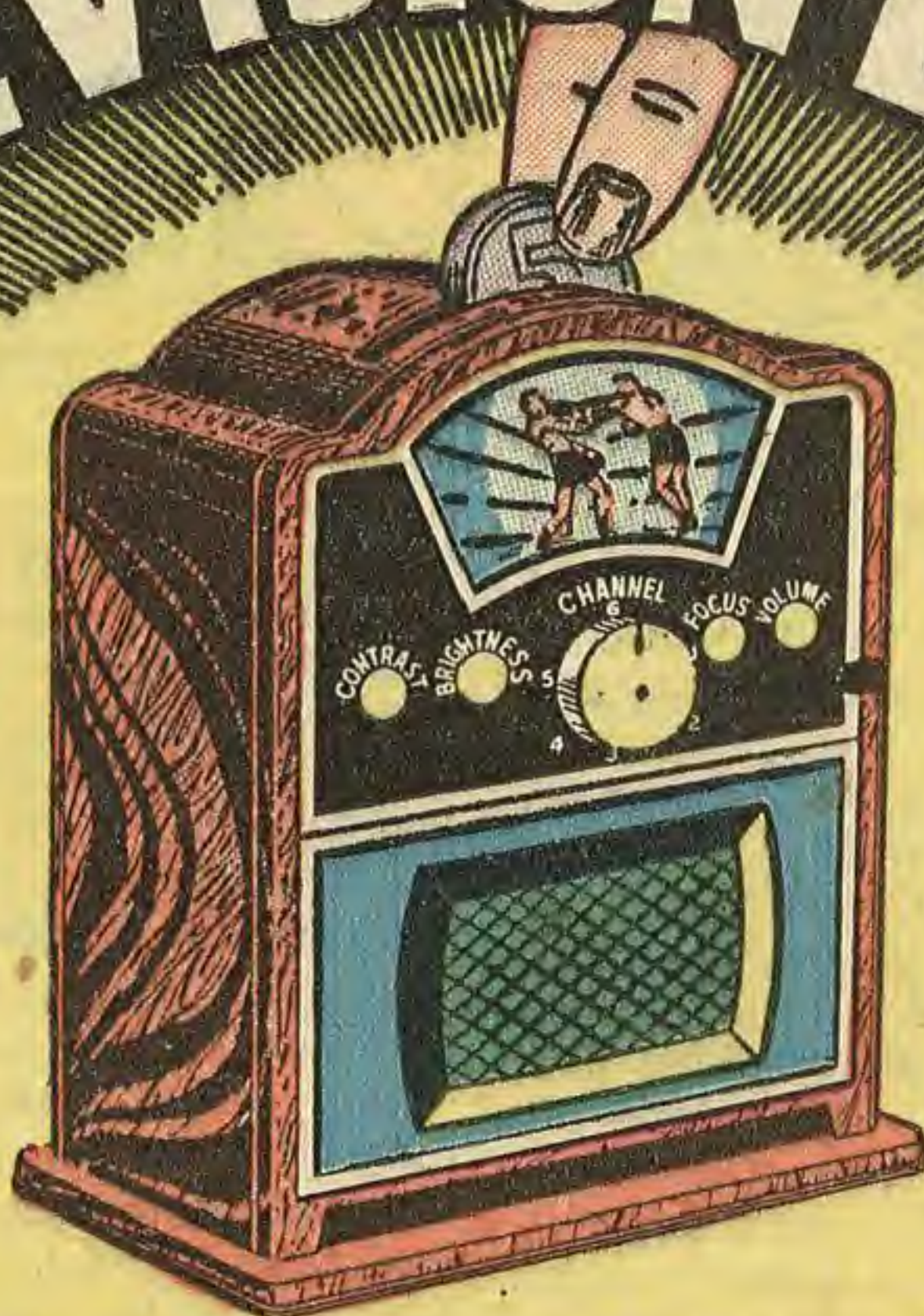
THE SHOW'S ON,  
GANG!

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# The Ski Mountain Mystery

## A CRIMEBUSTER STORY



**I**t had snowed for three days, and on the night of the third day, the tiny village of Shellsburg — nestled in the valley at the base of the looming mountains — was well blanketed in white.

The door to the town's police station opened, and Crimebuster walked in, then closed it quickly as a cold wind swept in and nearly blew stacks of papers from the police chief's desk. The chief stood up, offered his hand to Crimebuster, smiled and said: "I'm Chief Berry, Crimebuster." Then the chief gestured to two other men, and said: "And these are Officers Dan Sells and Chet Hendricks. We," he added laughingly, "make up the total personnel of the Shellsburg Police Department. But we received the phone call from the City's police, and we are at your service."

"Very good, sir," said Crimebuster. "I suppose they've already briefed you on the case."

"Yes," replied Chief Berry, scanning some papers through slitted eyes. "A mysterious Raffles-like character escaped a police dragnet in the city, and was last seen driving toward Shellsburg."

Chief Berry paused, placed a pipe in his mouth and lit it, then continued: "He was driving a green Buick, which outran a police squad car, and . . ."

"And completely got away," added Crimebuster. "I know — because I was in that squad car. We slid into a deep drift about fifteen miles south of here — and that's the last we've seen of the Buick."

"We know where the Buick is now," said Chief Berry — "and we're going to take a look at it in a moment. But tell me, Crimebuster, just who is this crook? The City's police didn't give us a description, or name — or, anything!"

"That's because they don't know," said Crimebuster. "This mysterious crook is an

almost legendary gem thief. He has burgled homes from coast to coast, and has never been seen. We don't know who he is or what he looks like. All we know is that he entered the home of a wealthy man tonight. The man was supposed to have gone out for dinner, but he didn't. The burglar entered — the man phoned the police — and we threw a dragnet around the area."

"I see," said Chief Berry, putting his coat and hat on, and starting for the door. "Then we're looking for a real mystery man. He escaped the dragnet, and is now somewhere in this sector. Well, if we can find him — we will! It'll be a feather in the hat of the Shellsburg Police Department. Come on — we'll show you the car he was driving."

They walked out into the cold, and walked through the snow.

"We've got a jeep," said Chief Berry. "It's about the only thing I know of that'll get us up into those hills without getting stuck. Come on. Here she is."

They climbed into the jeep. Officers Sells and Hendricks got into the back, while Crimebuster sat in front, next to Chief Berry, who took the wheel. Then the jeep commenced climbing the twisting, torturous road through the mountains.

Finally, at a spot where the road curved dangerously, they braked to a stop.

"This is it," said the chief. "Come — I'll show you."

The four of them got out, stood at the edge of the road, and looked down into a ravine, some ten feet deep. There, lying on its side, was the Buick, now partially covered by snow.

"A party coming down from the ski lodge first reported this car being here — then, when we got the City's report about the mysterious burglar having fled in a green Buick, we figured this was the one



they meant."

Crimebuster stepped cautiously down the side of the ravine, to a point from which he could see the license plates.

"Yes — that's the very car," he said. "What happened to the driver? He's our man."

"Don't know," said the chief. "Obviously he got out and left — but we don't know which way he went."

"You mentioned a ski lodge," said Crimebuster. "How far is the lodge from here?"

"It's about four miles up ahead in the mountains," said the chief. "It's not really a lodge, I guess, though they call it that. It's more like a hotel. Got at least 20 rooms, as I recall."

"Hmmm," mused Crimebuster. "It's about eight miles back to Shellsburg. Since it's a shorter distance to the lodge, I'd figure the crook went in that direction: He most certainly wouldn't have remained out in these hills."

"That makes sense to me," said the chief. "Nobody could live out in these hills, without food or shelter. And there's not so much as a hut within fifty miles, except for the lodge up at Ski Mountain."

They got back into the jeep, and continued on into the mountains, over curve and hill. Soon, they could see the lights of the lodge at Ski Mountain, and within moments they were inside, talking to the desk clerk, a thin, immaculate man who wore shell-rimmed glasses.

"Why, yes," said the clerk. "We've had several people check in here this evening. We have twenty-two rooms, you know — and all are occupied at the moment."

"I'm looking for just one man," said Crimebuster. "He came alone — if he came at all — and he checked in within the last two hours."

The clerk looked at the register, shook his head, and said:

"Sorry, but we've had at least 12 people check in within the last two hours. Five of whom were men — and they all came alone."

"Looks bad," said Chief Berry. "It's the old proverbial needle in a haystack. If we don't know what our man looks like — I don't see how we can ever flush him out."

"Perhaps I have a plan," said Crimebuster. Then he turned to the clerk, and said: "Are most of your guests in their rooms now?"

"Why, yes," answered the clerk. "There's not much to do at this hour. Generally the guests turn in early, then get up early for skiing. Why?"

"Then let me have some paper and a

pencil, please," said Crimebuster. "We've got to work fast. My plan might sound crazy — but it's the one chance we've got of getting our man."

It was nearly an hour later when a knock was heard on the doors. A man, just starting to undress, looked at the door and called out: "Who's there?"

There was no answer — only a piece of paper that was slipped under the door from the hallway.

The man walked over, picked up the paper, and read: "I know who you are! I know you are the gem thief sought by the police! There is no use to try to escape. The police from the City are on their way here now, by helicopter! They'll be here within an hour!"

There was no signature. The man looked at it with wide eyes. Quickly then, he tore the paper to shreds, slipped into his clothes again, then put on a hat and trench coat. He went to a window, looked out — then climbed through, and slid down into the snow.

He started getting to his feet when, suddenly, he saw four figures running towards him. He reached inside his jacket pocket and brought forth a gun, but before he could fire a shot, Crimebuster hurtled into him — followed by Chief Berry, Hendricks and Sells.

In a moment, the man — tall, thin, and about 35 — was on his feet, his wrists handcuffed. Crimebuster reached into the man's pockets and drew out some gems that sparkled in his hand.

"This is our man," said Crimebuster. "Let's take him back."

"But how did you know I was the one you sought?" asked the man. "Nobody knew my identity."

"We didn't know," said Crimebuster, "until you started to flee."

"That's right," said Chief Berry. "You see, buster, we left one of those notes in the room of every guest. Most of them ignored it — and some called the desk to ask for an explanation. Only the guilty man would've tried to make a run for it — thinking somebody **did** know his identity!"

"Trapped on an oldie like that," said the man. "I was a fool!"

"Aren't all crooks?" added Crimebuster. And with that, they put him in the jeep, and started the long journey back to Shellsburg. It was then that Chief Berry said: "Well, Crimebuster, thanks to you the Shellsburg Police Department gets that feather I spoke of."

"And a nice looking feather it should be," said Crimebuster.

THE END



# the LITTLE WISE GUYS

## IN "THE GROUCH"

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TWO MORE  
PLEDGES! THEY'LL  
GIVE THEIR BLOOD  
NOW!

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OH BOY—WAIT  
TILL WE SHOW UP  
AT RED CROSS HEAD-  
QUARTERS WITH  
ALL TWO HUNDRED  
BOTTLES  
FILLED!

PLEDGE YOUR  
PINT OF BLOOD  
NOW! GIVE  
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*Charles Birg*

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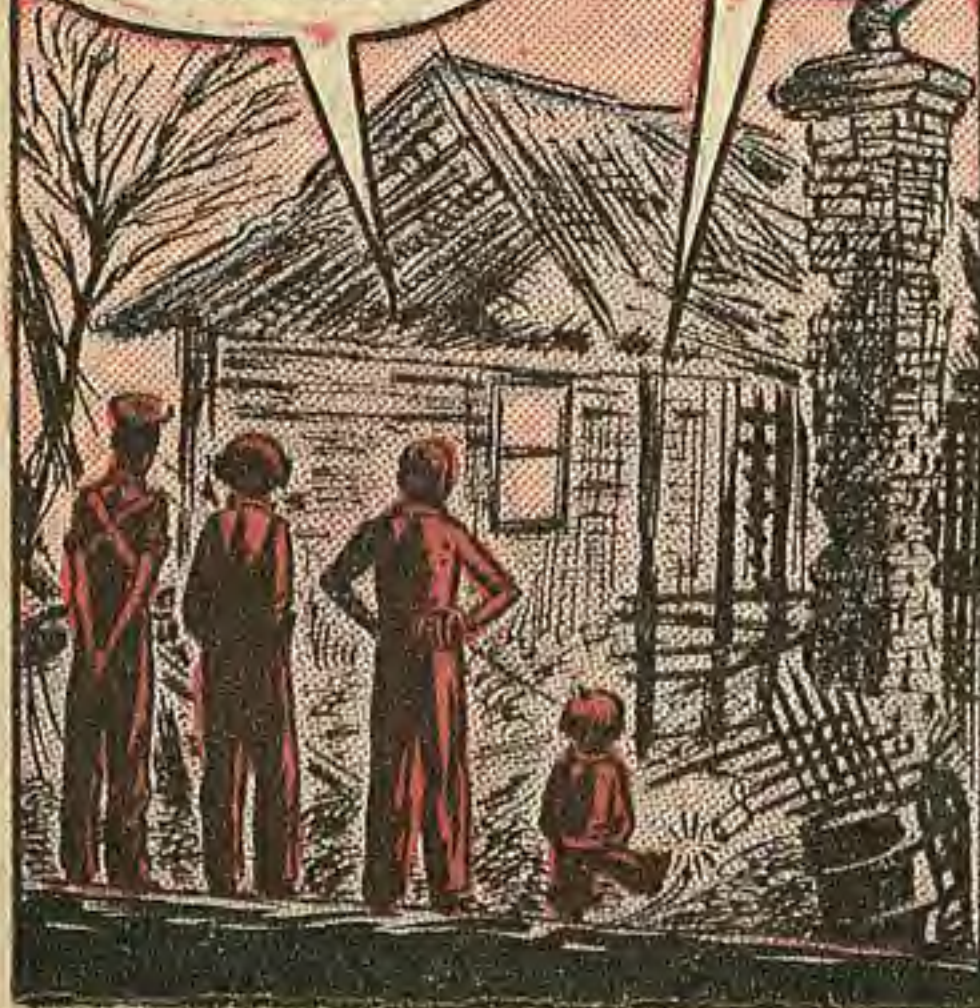
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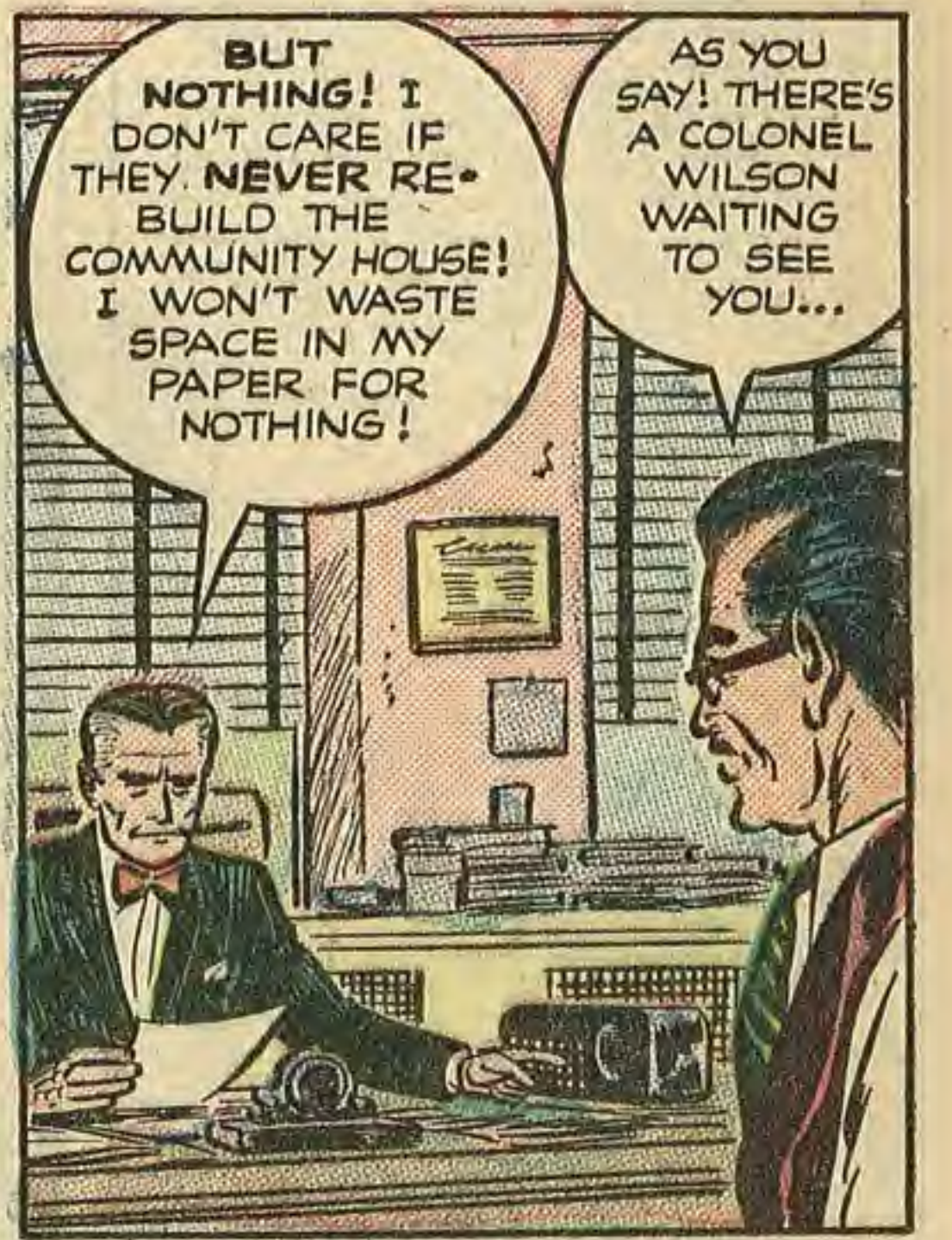
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NIGHT! IT SHOULD  
BE FUN AND  
WHATEVER WE  
SPEND WILL GO  
TOWARD BUILD-  
ING A NEW ONE!

HI, MR. ZABENNA!  
DON'T TELL ME  
IT'S WORTH YOUR  
WHILE TO DIG  
THROUGH ALL  
THAT RUBBLE  
FOR A LITTLE  
BIT OF JUNK  
LIKE THAT?

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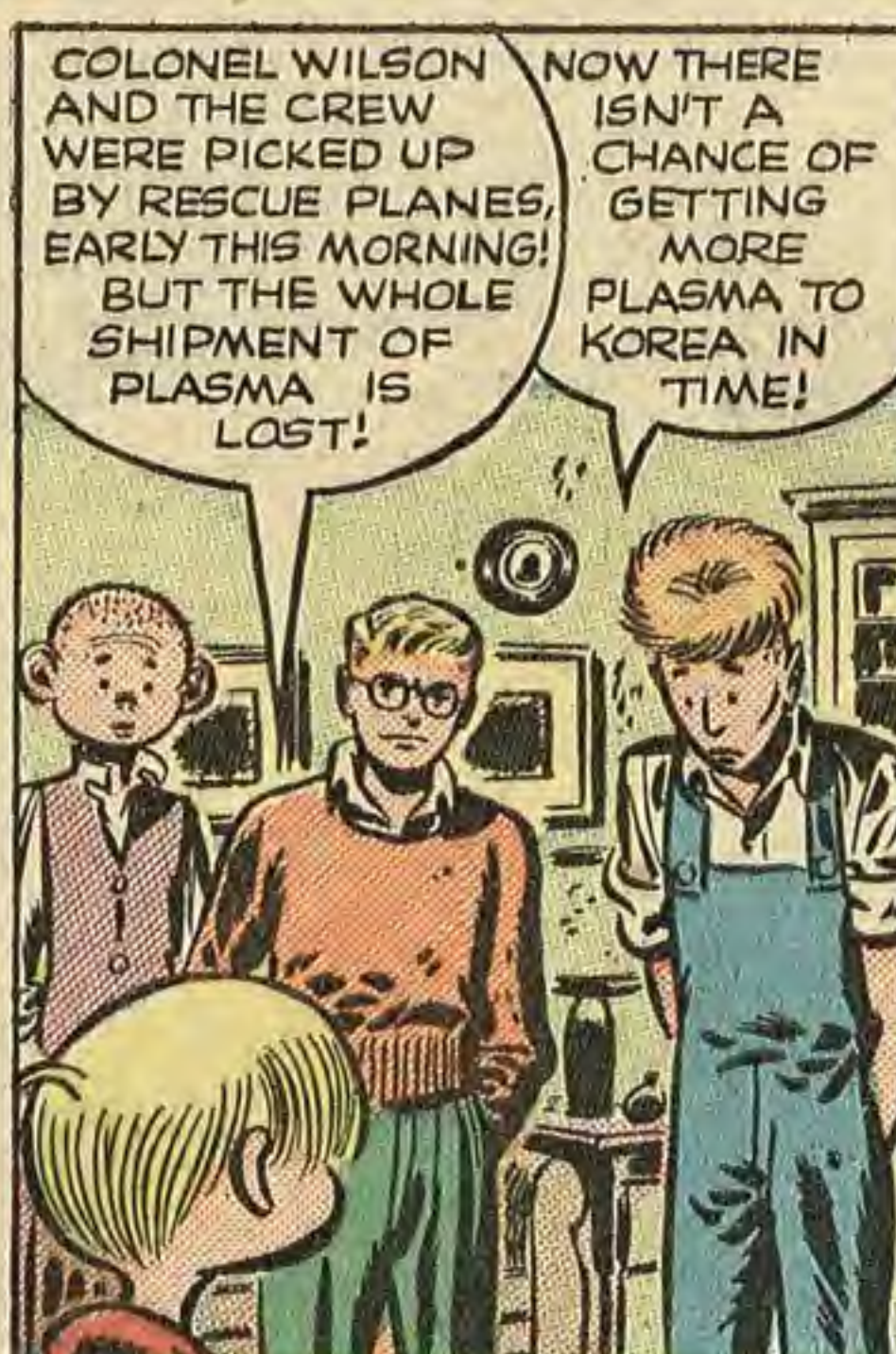




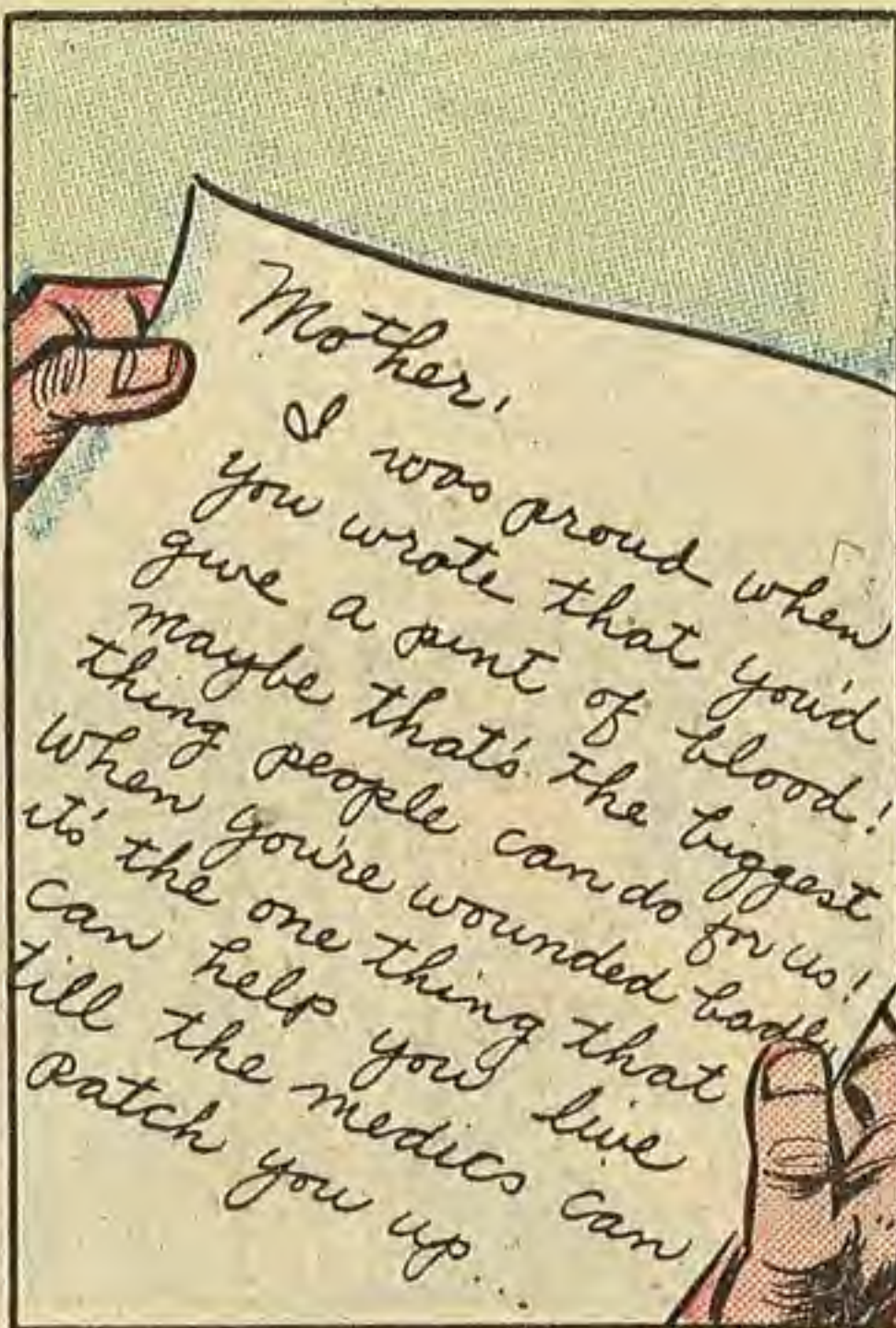














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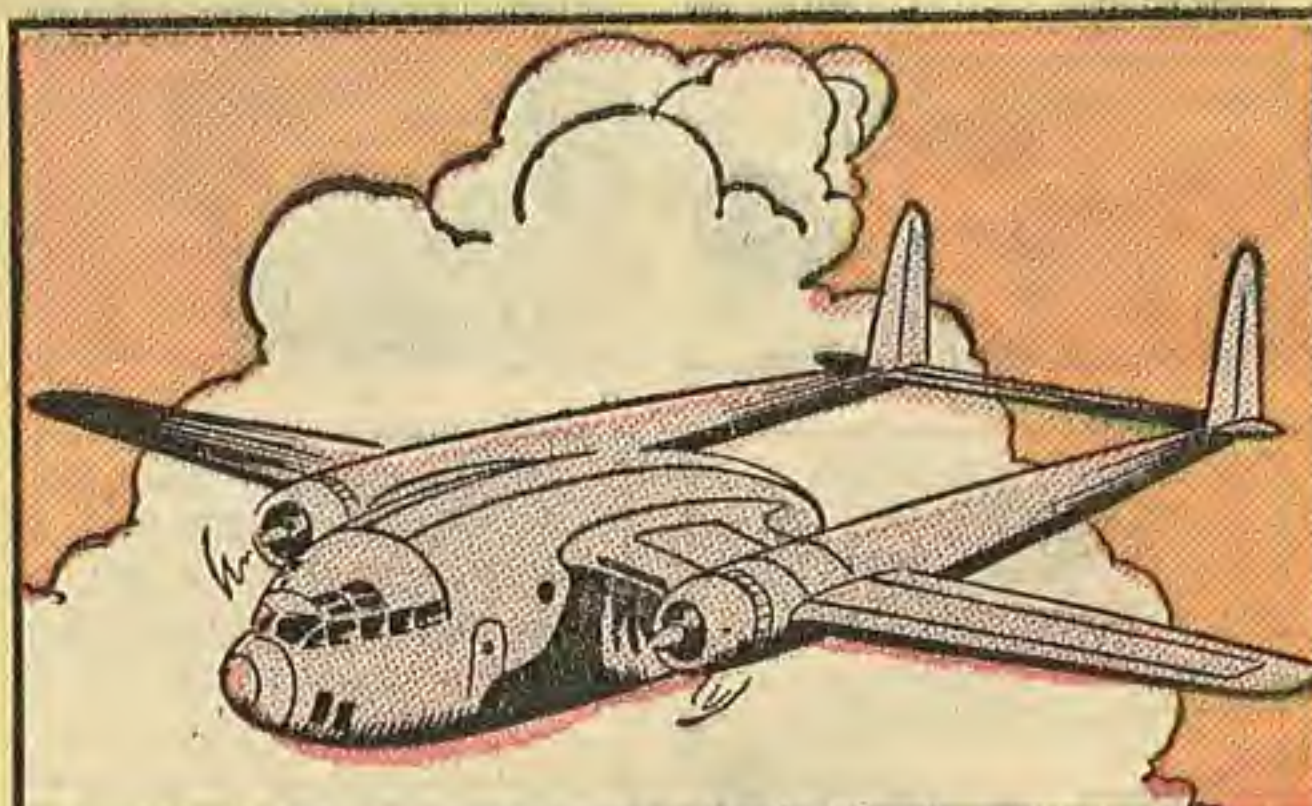
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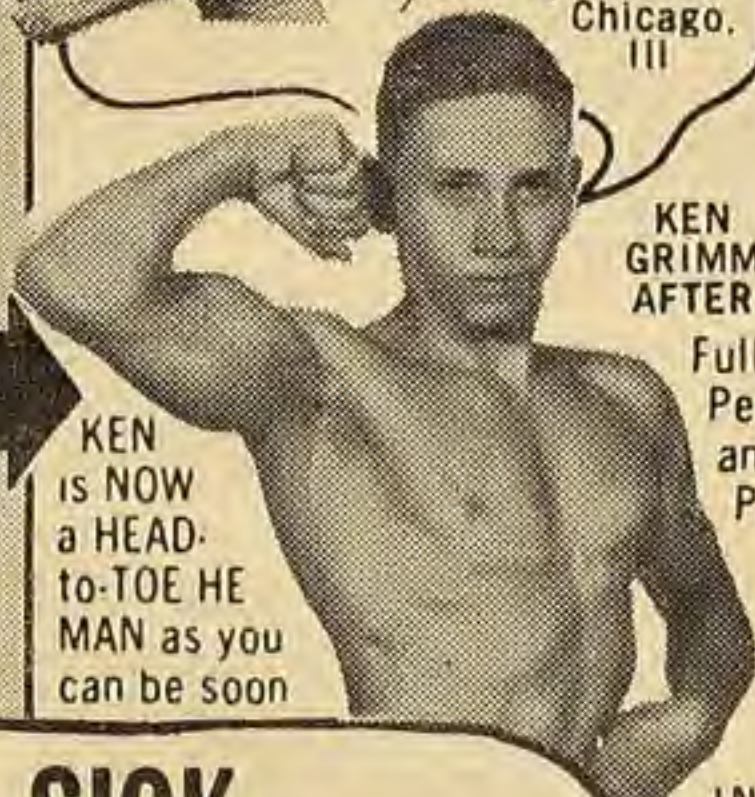
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